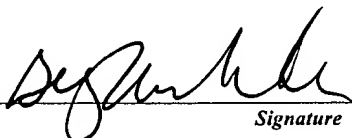


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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> <b>(Large Entity)</b>			Docket No. S-90,669	
In Re Application Of: Marvin J. Doman, et al.				
Serial No. 09/779,894	Filing Date March 31, 2000	Examiner BEHREND, H. E.	Group Art Unit 3641	
Invention: CLOSURE MECHANISM AND METHOD FOR SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL CANISTERS				
<div style="text-align: right;">31972 PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE</div>				
<u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>				
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the <del>Office Action</del> <span style="float: right;">Notice of Appeal filed</span> <del>of</del> on <u>9/12/2003</u> above-identified application. <div style="text-align: center;"><small>Date</small></div>				
The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired): <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div><input type="checkbox"/> One month</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Two months</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Three months</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Four months</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Five months</div></div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><div>from: <u>November 12, 2003</u> <small>Date</small></div><div>until: <u>March 12, 2004</u> <small>Date</small></div></div>				
The fee for the extension of time is <b>\$1,480</b> and is to be paid as follows: <div style="margin-top: 10px;"><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. <b>01-2752</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. <b>01-2752</b></div>				
<div style="text-align: right;"> <small>Signature</small></div> <div>Betty A. Winchester, DOE Authorized Signature for Deposit Account 01-2752  202-586-2810</div>		<div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">RECEIVED</div> <div style="font-size: 1.2em;">MAR - 2 2004</div> <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold;">GROUP 3600</div> <div style="margin-top: 20px;">Dated: February 19, 2004</div>		
02/27/2004 JADD01 00000124 012752 09779894 01 FC:1254 1480.00 DA  cc: HQ/RAM		<div>I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on _____ with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</div> <div style="border-top: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 10px;"></div> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.8em;">Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence</div> <div style="border-top: 1px solid black; height: 30px; margin-top: 10px;"></div> <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.8em;">Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence</div>		